THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION No.10300 of 2006

ORDER:

The petitioner states that he is the owner and pattadar of land, admeasuring about Ac.4.30 guntas, in Survey Nos.77,78 and 81 of Balanagar Village and Mandal, Ranga Reddy District. His grievance is that the Mandal Revenue Officer, Chevella Division, first respondent herein, had wrongly entered the names of respondents 3 to 6 in the revenue records, as regards the said land. He states that he came to know about such entries only in the recent past. He assails the same and seeks directions to the first respondent for making necessary corrections.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Revenue.

The Andhra Pradesh Rights in Land and Pattadar Pass Books Act, 1971 (for short 'the ROR Act') provides for the procedure for maintenance of revenue records as well as the remedies for the aggrieved parties, if any entries are made contrary to their interests. A regular appeal is provided to the Revenue Divisional Officer, against any orders passed or entries made by the Mandal revenue Officer. A further remedy is provided in the form of revision to the Joint Collector.

The petitioner states that he is handicapped from availing the remedy of appeal, in view of the expiry of period of limitation. In the light of the allegation that the petitioner came to know about the wrong entries only in the recent past, he can certainly explain the delay in submission of the appeal, and in such an event, the appellate authority shall be under obligation to examine the matter with reference to relevant facts.

Hence, the Writ Petition is disposed of, leaving it open to the petitioner to avail the remedy of appeal under the ROR Act. In case, the petitioner prefers any appeal before the appellate authority, the explanation offered by him for delayed submission, shall be taken into account. There shall be no order as to costs.

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